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SUBJECT: EYADEMA'S CONCERN RE SOVIETS IN BENIN

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1. YESTERDAY GERMAN AMBASSADOR RECALLED ANOTHER POINT PRESIDENT DYADEMA HAD MADE TO HIM IN CONNECTION WITH SOVIET INFLUENCE IN BENIN (PARA 2 REFTEL). EYADEMA HAD SAID HE KNEW AMERICAN AMBASSADOR IN BENIN HAD EXPERIENCED DIFFICULTY WITH GOVERNMENT.

2. I HOPE TO SEE EYADEMA EARLY NEXT WEEK ON ANOTHER MATTER. BELIEVE IT WOULD BE MOST USEFUL TO BE IN POSITION TO COMMENT TO EXTENT APPROPRIATE ON US-BENIN RELATIONSHIP, SINCE EYADEMA IS INTENSELY CONCERNED ABOUT SOVIETS IN BENIN. IF DEPARTMENT CONCURS, TALKING POINTS WOULD BE APPRECIATED.

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